



Lake Okeechobee Department

- Mission: protect and enhance the resources of Lake Okeechobee and its surrounding watershed...
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Contract Opportunities in the Lake Okeechobee Department in 2001

- Four new contracts are anticipated in this fiscal year.
- Three contracts focus on projects related to phosphorus source control in the lake's watershed.
- One contract is for enhancement of a lake data base graphical interface.



Phosphorus Source Control - Engineering Services

- This contract is related to a grant program that allows landowners to carry out projects to reduce phosphorus runoff.
- The contractor will oversee implementation and ensure quality control and project effectiveness.
- Solicitation: CCNA RFP
- Budgeted: \$300K for 3 years
- Project Manager: Benita Whalen



Isolated Wetland Restoration

- The goal of this project is to restore isolated wetlands on agricultural lands north of the lake
- The contract will allow issuance of work orders for various tasks, including outreach, land acquisition, project design, and construction
- Solicitation: CCNA RFP
- Budgeted: \$950K for 3 years
- Project Manager: Yanling Zhao



Watershed Assessment Project Implementation Reports (PI R)

- Four Lake Okeechobee projects are included in the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan - a reservoir-assisted STA, a north of lake storage reservoir, tributary dredging, and water treatment facilities
- The contractor will participate in developing the PI Rs for these projects.
- Solicitation: CCNA RFP
- Budgeted: \$1 million (year 1 of 4)
- Project Manager: Jose Otero



Lake Database Graphical Interface

- The Lake Okeechobee Department has an Oracle database where all research and ecological assessment data are maintained.
- The contractor will collaborate with District staff to enhance the graphical user interface, to make it more user-friendly and allow searches across multiple databases.
- Solicitation: RFP or Cooperative Agreement
- Budgeted: \$40K (total \$100K in 2 yrs)
- Project Manager: Sergio Lostal



Future Opportunities (2002+)

- Watershed assessments for P source control in the Lake Istokpoga and Upper Kissimmee Chain-of-Lake basins (Contact: Lewis Hornung)
- Integrated model development - coupling of water quality, light attenuation, and submerged plant models with an existing lake hydrodynamic model (Contact: R. Thomas James)